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For me the most important argument against the proposed permits is that the Lakota community seems nearly unanimously against them. The recent findings of elevated uranium levels in a local reservoir only reinforce lack of trust in any uranium mining operation.

I have learned the bitter historical truth that we white Americans stole most of the Lakota land, kidnapped their children, nearly obliterated their culture, almost caused the extinction of the bison, and massacred their people on multiple occasions. I benefit from these actions in part because my house sits on some of the stolen land. The debt of justice we owe is staggering; for the land alone the Supreme Court has placed the price at over one billion dollars (counting interest and inflation). Against that debt, to refrain from more uranium mining seems to me to be a small payment.